

United States Coast Guard Academy Guiding Principles



Our graduates, officer and enlisted, military and civilian, of this nation and others, are our contributions to strengthening our service and our society and to sharing our strength with the global community.

- We, as members of a diverse and dynamic Academy community, are dedicated to serve each other, the Coast Guard, and our Nation.
- We actively challenge and inspire our learners to become leaders of character who epitomize Coast Guard Core Values of Honor, Respect, and Devotion to Duty.
- We, as students, teachers, staff, trustees, and graduates, are fully engaged in providing challenging learning experiences for each other's growth and development.
- We are dedicated to enlightening and constantly enriching the Academy's environment by applying evolving knowledge and emerging technologies, innovation and best practices.
- We actively practice individual responsibility and accountability, teamwork and continuous improvement in support of the Academy's shared learning outcomes. Our graduates shall lead effectively; have high professional qualities; acquire, integrate and expand knowledge; communicate effectively; and be critical thinkers.